

# ST. ANN CATHOLIC PARISH

Physical Location: 610 Pike Street, Shinnston, WV 26431  
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December 15 & 16, 2018

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### Mass Schedule:

Sunday Masses: Saturday: 5:00pm  
 Sunday: 8:00am  
 10:00am  
 Weekday Masses: Tues, Thurs & Fri 6:00pm  
 Wednesday 6:30pm  
 First Friday Masses of each month are at 6:00pm in the Chapel

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 4:00pm to 4:30pm  
 Before and after any weekday service and by appointment



### Baptism

*Please contact the Pastor to schedule a baptism. Instruction sessions are required with your first child.*

### Marriages:

Please contact the Pastor at least 6 months prior to the proposed date of marriage.

**Rosary and Prayer Group meets every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the Church**



## Minister's Schedule December 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 THIS WEEKS LITURGICAL COLORS ARE VIOLET

	5:00pm	8:00am	10:00am
Server:	Frank DeMarco	Dave DeCosta	Nathaniel Bee & Robert Spadafore
Lector:	Mary Ann Ferris	John Marchio	Sam DeMarco
Cup Ministers:	Cindy Hamrick Jimmy Gemondo	Thom Alonso	Keith Dumas Robbie Spadafore
Host Ministers:	Frank DeMarco		Jim Spadafore
Ushers:	Joe Sears & Erik Ferris	Helen DeCosta	Bill Benson & Mary C. Fleece

### MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK:

	Saturday:	Dec 15	5:00pm	Rotunda & Salentro Families by Freddie Salentro *RM
	Sunday:	Dec 16	8:00am	For the People of the Parish
			10:00am	In Memory of David Costelac by Patty, Bob, Tonya & Bobby *RM
	Monday:	Dec 17	No Mass	
	Tuesday:	Dec 18	6:00pm	Frank Seamon by Frank & Nellie Hamrick *RM
	Wednesday:	Dec 19	6:30pm	Elizabeth Libicer by Steve Libicer, Jr. *RM
	Thursday:	Dec 20	6:00pm	Pauline Sabatelli by Donnie & Pam Sabatelli *RM
	Friday:	Dec 21	6:00pm	TJ & Mary Frances Fluharty by Mary Ann Spadafore *RM
	Saturday:	Dec 22	5:00pm	Jim Fortney by Jr. & Mona Sims *RM
	Sunday:	Dec 23	8:00am	For the People of the Parish
		10:00am	For the Intention of healing for Jana Larson by John & Sylvia Belcastro	
Monday	Dec 24	5:00pm	Meghan Tucker by Mamaw *RM	
		11:45pm	For the People of the Parish	
Tuesday	Dec 25	10:00am	For the People of the Parish	

RM stands for "Requiem mass" Requiem Masses are masses that are offered for the dead. RM Masses are distinguished from Masses that can be offered for different intentions, and are different from Requiem Masses



This Sunday is the Third Sunday of Advent. It is called ‘Gaudete Sunday’, which means ‘Joyful Sunday’. Advent is a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas as well as the return of Jesus at the second coming. For Christians, the season of Advent anticipates the coming of Christ from three different perspectives. The three comings of Christ – (1) In the flesh in Bethlehem, (2) In our hearts daily, (3) in glory at the end of time. We are alert and waiting. Liturgical Colors for this season of Advent are violet, and today it is pink. The Advent wreath or “crown” symbolizes victory, in addition to its round form evoking the sun and its return each year. The number four represents the four weeks of Advent, and the green color is a sign of life and hope. The fir branch and holly represent strength and victory over sin and suffering. They do not lose their leaves, and thus represent the eternity of God. The flames of candles are the representation of the Christmas light approaching and bringing hope and peace, as well as the symbol of the struggle against darkness. This crown is also the symbol of Christ the King, the holly recalling the crown of thorns resting on the head of Christ.

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard baking and preparing for our Christmas Bake and Craft Sale held this Saturday, December 15, 2018. To all those who purchased, to all those who baked, and to all those who donated time, goods, and talent....thank you. All proceeds from this sale go to support our parish.



Thank you also to everyone for contributing to our sock, scarf, hat, gloves drive. The Distribution was held on Friday, December 7, 2018 in our social hall, and 136 individuals; adults and children; received a packet of a scarf, hat, gloves and one or two pairs of socks. The remaining items were distributed to local charities. Your generosity has provided warmth for someone in need.

Again, also...thank you to all those who worked on the Live Nativity this past Saturday. The children were beautiful and joyous, and many people drove through to witness their commitment to celebrating the birth of our Jesus Christ. Lots of nonperishable food was donated to the Lord’s Pantry from the visitors as well as \$249.00 in cash. The food and cash have been sent to the Lord’s Pantry to help in feeding the needy this holiday season.



St. Ann’s Annual Christmas Party is this Sunday, December 16, 2018 immediately following the 10:00am Mass. There will be plenty of delicious food, music, lots of enjoyment of friends and family, and Santa is coming for the kids. The entrees are Turkey and Ham, mashed potatoes and gravy and drinks. Our parishioners are asked to bring covered dishes based on the following: If your last name ends in the following initial, please the corresponding covered dish: A – F please bring vegetables or casserole; G – R please bring a dessert; S – Z please bring Salads – any kind, cranberry, potato, pasta.



*“I am the Bread of Life which came down from heaven.” John 6:41*

*There are currently 3 hours open in the Chapel. Please consider taking one of these hours for your personal adoration:*

Saturday	1:00pm to 2:00pm
Saturday	4:00pm to 5:00pm
Saturday	5:00pm to 6:00pm

### Christmas and New Year’s Mass Schedule:

<b>Christmas Eve:</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 24, 2018</b>	<b>Family Mass at 5:00pm</b> <b>Midnight Mass at Midnight</b>
<b>Christmas Day:</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 25, 2018</b>	<b>Mass at 10:30am Holy Day of Obligation</b>
<b>New Year’s Eve:</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 31, 2018</b>	<b>Mass at 5:00pm</b>
<b>New Year’s Day:</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 1, 2019</b>	<b>Mass at 10:00am Holy Day of Obligation</b>

The Ministry Schedule includes all of the Christmas Masses as well as the New Year’s Day Masses. All Ministers, please pick up a copy of the schedule from the table at the front of the church. The schedule is also available on our website at [www.stannshinnston.com](http://www.stannshinnston.com).

Following is Fr. Tom’s address to those of you who would like to send him a Christmas Card:  
Rev. Tom Dagle, The Welty Apts, 1276 National Road, Apt 403, Wheeling, WV 26003

May Peace be your gift at Christmas and your blessing all the year through!









